Stoeger

Model 2000 Owner's Manual

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INTRODUCTION

Thank you for purchasing the Stoeger Model 2000 shotgun. It has been designed and constructed to provide trouble-free use. A thorough understanding of the firearm's operation, care and maintenance will enhance its safety and performance. Please take the time to read and understand the information provided in this manual.

WARNING: This manual contains important warnings that must be understood before using this firearm.

Please retain this copy of the Owner's Manual for future reference. Any transfer of this firearm should include a copy of this manual. If you sell, give or lend the firearm to anyone, be sure the Owner's Manual accompanies it.

Proud to introduce the Model 2000 line of semiautomatic shotguns. A small number of components, an extremely simple operating principle, an innovative rotating bolt locking system and an ingenious cartridge feeding system (cut off), combine to make these new Stoeger shotguns highly reliable and practical. As easy to operate as they are to maintain, Stoeger Model 2000 shotguns are among the most modern, accurate, safe, fast and elegant shotguns available today.

The Model 2000 semiautomatic shotgun is capable of shooting lead or steel shot loads with a maximum length of 3 inches, in addition to $2^{3}/_{4}$ inch loads.

BASIC SAFETY RULES

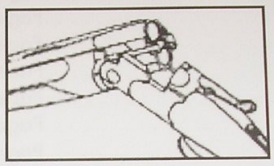
Please read this before handling your firearm. Firearms can be dangerous and can potentially cause serious injury, damage to property or death, if handled improperly. The following safety rules are an important reminder that firearm safety is your responsibility:

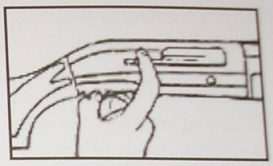
1. NEVER POINT A FIREARM AT SOMETHING THAT IS NOT SAFE TO SHOOT.

Never let the muzzle of a firearm point at any part of your body or at another person. This is especially important when loading or unloading the firearm. When you are shooting at a target, know what is behind it. Some bullets can travel over a mile. If you miss your target or if the bullet penetrates the target, it is your responsibility to ensure that the shot does not cause unintended injury or damage.

2. ALWAYS TREAT A FIREARM AS IF IT WERE LOADED.

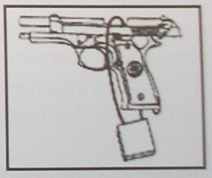
Never assume that a firearm is unloaded. **The only certain way to ensure that a firearm is empty is to open the chambe and visually examine the inside to see if a round is present. Removing the magazine will not guarantee that a pistol is unloaded or cannot fire.** Shotguns and rifles can be checked by cycling or removing all rounds and by then opening the chamber so that a visual inspection of the chamber for any remaining rounds can be made.

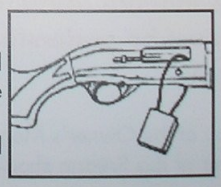


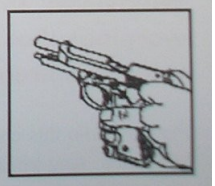


3. STORE YOUR FIREARM SO THAT CHILDREN CANNOT GAIN ACCESS TO IT.

It is your responsibility to insure that children under the age of 18 or other unauthorized persons do not gain access to your firearm. **To reduce the risk of accidents involving children, unload your firearm, lock it and store the ammuntion in a separate locked location.** Please note hat devces intended to prevent acidents - for example, cable locks, chamber plugs, etc, -may not prevent use or misuse of your firearm by a determined person. Steel gun safes may be more appropriate to reduce the likelihood of intentional misuse of a firearm by an unauthorized chield or person.







4. NEVER SHOOT AT WATER OR AT A HARD SURFACE.

Shooting at the surface of water or at a rock or other hard surface increases the chance of ricochets or fragmentation of the bullet or shot, which can result in the projectile striking an unintended or peripheral target.

5. KNOW THE SAFETY FEATURES OF THE FIREARM YOU ARE USING, BUT REMEMBER: SAFETY DEVICES ARE NOT A SUBSTITUTE FOR SAFE HANDLING PROCEDURES.

Never rely solely on a safety device to prevent an accident. It is imperative that you know and use the safety features of the particular firearm you are handling, but accidents can best be prevented by following the safe handling procedures described in these safety rules and elsewhere in the product manual. To further familiarize yourself with the proper use of this or other firearms, take a Firearms Safety Course taught by an expert in firearms use and safety procedures.

6. PROPERLY MAINTAIN YOUR FIREARM.

Store and carry your firearm so that dirt or lint does not accumulate in the working parts. Clean and oil your firearm, following the instruction provided in this manual, after each use to prevent corrosion, damage to the barrel or accumulation of impurities which can prevent use of the gun in an emergency. Always check the barrel prior to loading to ensure that it is clean and free from obstructions. **Firing against an obstruction can rupture the barrel and injure yourself or others nearby.**

In case you hear an unusual noise when shooting, stop firing immediately, ingage the manual safety and unload the firearm. Make sure the chamber is free from any obstruction or possible bullet blocked inside the barrel due to defective or improper ammunition.

7. USE PROPER AMMUNITION.

Only use factory-loaded, new ammunition manufactured to industry specifications: CIP (Europe and elsewhere), BAALI (USA). Be certain that each round you use is in the proper caliber or gauge and type for the particular firearm. The caliber or gauge of the firearm is clearly marked on the barrels of shotguns and on the slide or barrel of pistols. The use of reloaded or remanufactured ammunition can increase the likelihood of excessive cartridge pressures, casehead ruptures or others defects in the ammunition which can cause damage to your firearm and injury to yourself or others nearby.

8. ALWAYS WEAR PROTECTIVE GLASSES AND EARPLUGS WHEN SHOOTING.

The chance that gas, gunpowder or metal frogments will blow back and injure a shooter who is firing a gun is rare,but the injury that can be sustained in such circumstances is severe, including the possible loss of eyesight.

A shooter must always wear impact resistant shooting glasses when firing any firearm. Earplugs help reduce the chance of hearing damage from shooting.

9. NEVER CLIMBA TREE, FENCE OR OBSTRUCTION WITH A LOADED FIREARM.

Open and empty the chamber of your firearm before climbing or descendign a tree or before climbing a fence or jumping over a ditch or obstruction. Never pull or push a loaded firearm toward yourself or another person.

10. AVOID ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES OR JUDGMENT OR REFLEX IMPAIRING MEDICATION WHEN SHOOTING.

Do not drink and shoot. If you take medication that can impair motor reaction that cam impair motor reactions or judgment, do not handle a firearm while you are under the influence of the medication.

11. NEVER TRANSPORT A LOADED FIREARM.

Unload firearm before putting it in a vehicle. Hunters and target shooters should load their firearm only at their destination. If you carry a firearm for self-protection, leaving the chamber unloaded can reduce the chance of accidental discharge.

12. LEAD WARNING.

Discharging firearms in poorly ventilated areas,cleaning firearms or handling ammunition may result in exposure to lead and other substances known to cause birth defects, reproductive harm, and other serious physical injury. Have adequate ventilation at all times. Wash hands thoroughly after exposure.

WARNING:

A FIREARM HAS THE CAPABILIY OF TAKING YOUR LIFE OR THE LIFE OF SOMEONE ELSE! BE CAREFUL WITH YOUR FIREARM. AN ACCIDENT IS ALMMOST ALWAYS THE RESULT OF NOT FOLLOWING BASIC SAFETY RULES.

WARNING:

DISCHARGING FIREARMS IN POORLY VENTILATED AREAS, CLEANING FIREARMS, OR HANDLING AMMUNITION MAY RESULT IN EXPOSE TO LEAD, A SUBSTANCE KNOWN TO BE ASSOCIATED WITH BIRTH DEFECTS, REPRODUCTIVE HARM, AND OTHER SERIOUS INJURY. HAVE ADEQUATE VENTILATION AT ALL TIMES. WASH HANDS THOROUGHLY AFTER EXPOSURE.

OPERATION

The Stoeger Model 2000 shotgun uses a fixed-barrel, inertia recoil operated system. This system is based on a spring placed between the locking head and the bolt. When a shot is fired the bolt moves forward (about 4 mm. depending on the cartridge) relative to the rest of the shotgun, due to the recoil and the bolt's inertia, thus compressing the spring. Once the spring is fully compressed, it recoils, cycling the bolt assembly and ejecting the spent shell, then loading another before returning to battery. The spring's capacity is accurately calibrated to ensure a delay in the opening of the bolt and to adjust to different pressures created by various cartridges.

The shotgun also features:

A rotating bolt locking head with a simple and sturdy shape which, with three locking lugs, creates a secure lock along the axis of the breech which can withstand the barrel pressure generated by 3 inch 12 gauge loads.

A loading system designed to:

1. Allow manual cycling of shells, including 3 inch shells, from the magazine to the chamber for quick and easy shell changes;
2. Ensure quick and reliable reloading;
3. Indicate whether the hammer is cocked and the gun is ready to fire.

The "cut off" device consists of a special cartridge drop lever, which protrudes slightly beyond the lower part of the receiver, within easy reach of the trigger finger. The cartridge drop lever's projection from the receiver can be easily seen. When the drop lever is visible the hammer is cocked and the shotgun is ready to fire. When the lever is concealed within the receiver, the hammer is not cocked. When a shot is fired, the hammer spring swings the cartridge drop lever upward, disengaging it from the carrier latch. The carrier latch is rotated clockwise, allowing one shell to come out of the magazine. The shell is deposited on the carrier where it presses against the carrier latch, rotates it in the opposite direction and blocks the exit of another other shell. The carrier, which is linked with the bolt, automatically raises, positioning the cartridge in front of the chamber. In the meantime the hammer spring, already compressed in the cocked position has pushed the cartridge drop lever down and back to its resting position. The carrier latch is now positioned to positively lock the other cartridges inside the magazine until another shot is fired.

The Model 2000 line of shotguns uses the recoil energy to cycle the action. It eliminates problems stemming from recoiling barrels, barrel vibrations when the shot is fired, or the need of an adjustment for powerful shells. It also eliminates the problems associated with gas-operated systems, which require frequent cleaning and can malfunction under adverse climatic conditions.

Note: The inertia system requires shells that generate enough kinetic energy (recoil) to fully cycle the action. The gun is designed to fire a minimum load of 1 oz. (28 gram).

Thanks to their high quality design, and 3 inch magnum chambers, the new Model 2000 self loaders work with a wide variety of ammunition.

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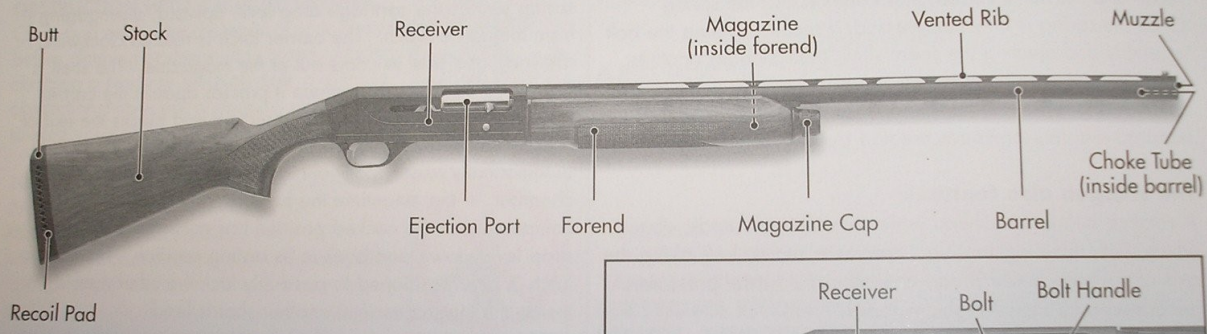
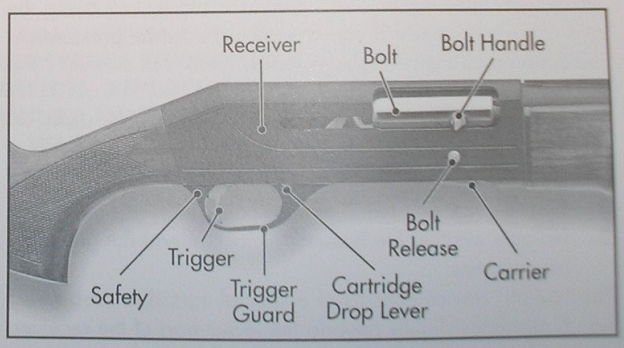




IMPORTANT TERMS TO BE FAMILIAR WITH:

Bore: The hole lengthwise through the barrel through which a fired shot charge passes.

Chamber: The enlarged rear portion of the bore into which a cartridge is seated for firing.

Muzzle: The front face of the barrel from which the shot emerges.

Magazine: The space inside the gun where cartridges are stored to be fed into the chamber.

ASSEMBLY

The shotgun is packed for shipping in two sub-assemblies (Fig. 1).

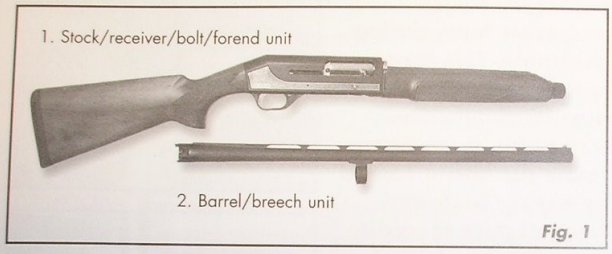


Fig. 1

The following procedure should be followed to ensure proper assembly of the shotgun:

1. Remove any forend and receiver assembly packing material.

Note: This material is only used for packing. Do not use during re-assembly.

2. Take the stock/receiver/bolt/forend assembly and unfasten the forend cap, removing the wood forend from the tubular magazine (Fig. 2)

Fig. 2

3. Insert the bolt handle into position on the side of the bolt, pushing it all the way in (Fig. 3).

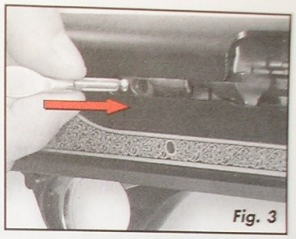


Fig. 3

4. With your right hand, grab the bolt lever and pull the bolt back until it locks in the open position (Fig. 4).

Fig. 4

5. If the bolt does not lock open, move the cartridge release lever in the direction shown by the arrow (Fig. 5) and repeat the previous step.

Fig. 5

6. Assemble the forend on the barrel/forend assembly, by inserting over the barrel lug and placing it next to the barrel's underside (Fig. 6).

Fig. 6

7. While holding the stock/receiver/bolt assembly in your right hand, take the previously assembled barrel/forend assembly in your left down over the tubular magazine, making sure that the forend goes over the tubular magazine (Fig. 7) and that it is properly centered on the receiver so that the bolt assembly can be properly seated. Be certain the barrel/forend assembly is pushed in all the way in (until you cannot push it further, the assembly clicks against metal and the forend mates perfectly to the receiver (Fig 8).

Fig. 7

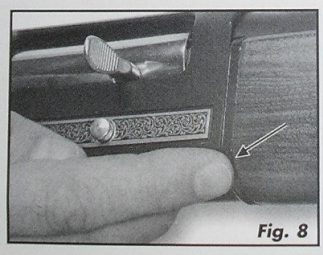


Fig. 8

CAUTION: It is not necessary to use excessive force during assembly. This firearm is designed using precise dimensions. It may be necessary to rotate the barrel/forend assembly back and forth slightly to assist in seating the barrel fully into the receiver.

Fig. 9

8. Screw the forend cap all the way onto the end of the tubular magazine (Fig. 9). Fasten it tightly so that the barrel/forend assembly is firmly seated against the receiver.

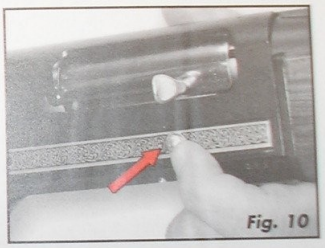


Fig. 10

9. Close the bolt by pushing the carrier release (Fig. 10).

BEFORE LOADING

Be sure to select the proper ammunition. It must match the chamber of your gun (as marked on the barrel) and be appropriate to the type of game or sport you are shooting. This Stoeger semi-automatic shotgun is chambered in 12 gauge. It has been designed to fire 1 oz. (28 gram) 3 dram to 1 3/4 oz. (50 gram) cartridges with 2 3/4" (70mm) to 3" (76mm) length with lead or steel shot.

CAUTION: Use of Full or Improved Modified choke tubes is not recommended with steel shot.
CAUTION: Use ONLY factory loaded ammunition. Use of re-loaded ammunition voids the 1-Year Factory Warranty.
WARNING: Always keep the firearm pointed in a safe direction.

MANUAL SAFETY:

1. Locate the manual safety. NOTE: The Manual Safety Button is located at the rear of the trigger guard and should be in the "ON" or "SAFE" position at all times except immediately prior to firing.

2. To put the Manual Safety in the "ON" or "SAFE" position, push the button from the left side of the gun so it extends fully to the right (ejection port) side of the trigger guard (Fig. 11).

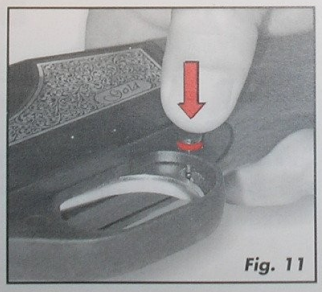


Fig. 11

3. To put the Manual Safety in the "OFF" or "FIRE" position, push the button from the right side until it fully extends to the left side of the trigger guard (Fig. 12).

Fig. 12

NOTE: As an added reference, a red ring (DANGER) will be visible on the left side of the button when the Safety is in the "OFF" or "FIRE" position (Fig. 13).

Fig. 13

WARNING: PUT THE MANUAL SAFETY IN THE "ON" OR "SAFE" POSITION.

WARNING: Visually check the barrel to be sure it is free of obstructions.

LOADING

The ammunition magazine, depending on the cartridge type, can accommodate two 3" rounds or three 2 3/4" rounds. Counting a chambered round, this shotgun's ammunition capacity is 3 or 4 rounds. To load the shotgun, follow the steps outlined below:

WARNING: PUT THE MANUAL SAFETY IN THE "ON" OR "SAFE" POSITION, pushing the safety button on the trigger guard from left to right until the red ring, which means the gun is ready to be fired, is no longer visible.

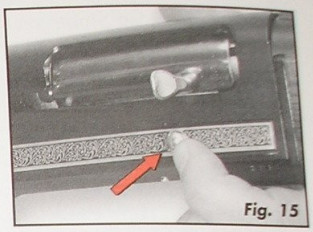
WARNING: Although the safety catch is engaged throughout this operation, always keep the muzzle pointed in a safe direction.

1. Make sure that the firearm is not loaded by opening the bolt with the bolt handle (Fig. 14) and closing it again by pushing the bolt release button (Fig. 15).

NOTE: These movements also cock the hammer, a necessary step in loading the shotgun.

Fig. 14

2. Rotate the gun so you can access the bottom of the receiver. With the muzzle pointed in a safe direction, insert the shells into the bottom of the receiver (Fig. 16), pushing up into the shell carrier arm and forward into the magazine tube until it disappears completely into the magazine tube and is held in place by the carrier latch.



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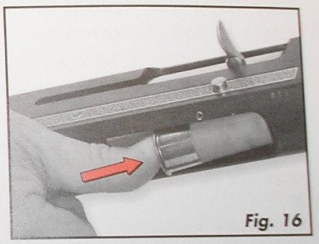


Fig. 16

3. Repeat the previous step until the magazine is fully loaded.

NOTE: The shotgun must be loaded with the hammer cocked in order to allow the carrier to move inward and provide full access to the bottom of the magazine tube. The cartridge drop lever (indicating the hammer is cocked) should be fully visible. If the hammer needs to be cocked, follow the procedure outlined above.

LOADING (Continued)

At this point the shotgun cannot fire unless a round is chambered, by following these steps:

1. Open the bolt by pulling back the bolt lever (Fig. 14).

2. While holding it open, slide a round through the ejection port (Fig. 17).

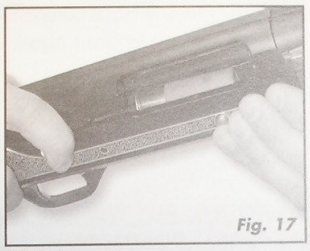


Fig. 17

3. Let go of the bolt handle. The bolt will slide forward, fully chambering the round and locking the breech.

CAUTION: Do not "ride" the bolt forward, it must be allowed to freely travel in order to achieve lockup.

WARNING: Although the safety catch is engaged throughout this operation, always keep the muzzle pointed in a safe direction.

WARNING: The shotgun is now loaded and ready to fire. By switching the safety to the "OFF" or "FIRE" position (red ring is visible on the safety's left side), the firearm is rendered ready to fire.

Note: Due to precision-machined tolerances on your shotgun, some break-in period may be required before your new gun will function reliably with light target loads. If you experience initial functioning problems with one-ounce loads, we recommend firing three or four boxes of standard hunting loads to allow for this break-in period.

REPLACING A CARTRIDGE IN THE CHAMBER

WARNING: PUT THE MANUAL SAFETY IN THE "ON" OR "SAFE" POSITION.

WARNING: Although the safety latch is engaged throughout this operation, always keep the muzzle pointed in a safe direction.

MANUAL CARTRIDGE SUBSTITUTION – To substitute a round in the chamber with another round, follow these steps:

1. Rest the butt of the stock on your hip and open the bolt by pulling back on the bolt handle (Fig.18). The round in the chamber will be extracted from the chamber and ejected.

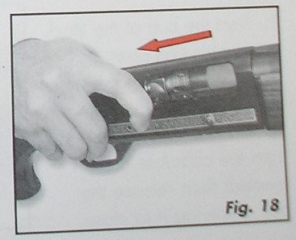


Fig. 18

2. While holding the bolt to the rear, insert the new round through the ejection port (Fig. 17).

3. Release the bolt lever, allowing the bolt to close and fully chamber the round.

MECHANICAL CARTRIDGE SUBSTITUTION – To substitute a round using the cartridge drop lever to substitute a round in the chamber with another round from the magazine, follow these steps:

WARNING: PUT THE MANUAL SAFETY IN THE "ON" OR "SAFE" POSITION.

WARNING: Although the safety catch is engaged throughout this operation, always keep the muzzle pointed in a safe direction.

1. Rest the butt of the stock on your hip and open the bolt by pulling back on the bolt lever (Fig. 13). The round in the chamber will be extracted from the chamber and ejected; then release the bolt, allowing it to close.

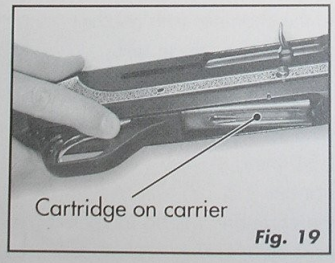


Fig. 19

2. Press the cartridges drop lever (Fig. 19) so that the first round in the magazine is deposited onto the carrier.

3. Draw the bolt back completely to the rear and release it, allowing the bolt to close again and fully chamber the round.

UNLOADING

To unload the shotgun, follow the steps outlines below:

WARNING: PUT THE MANUAL SAFETY IN THE "ON" OR "SAFE" POSITION.

WARNING: Although the safety catch is engaged throughout this operation, always keep the muzzle pointed in a safe direction.

1. Rest the butt of the stock on your hip and open the bolt by pulling back on the bolt lever (Fig. 14). The round in the chamber will be extracted from the chamber and ejected.

2. Release the bolt, allowing the bolt to close on an empty chamber.

UNLOADING (Continued)

3. Turn the shotgun upside down and, while pushing the carrier downward, push the front end of the shell latch in with your right hand index finger (Fig. 20).

4. The round in the magazine will eject from the magazine under spring pressure, and can be removed by hand.

Fig. 20

CAUTION: The magazine spring, when fully compressed, can yield enough force to cause injury during the unloading process. Use care when unloading the magazine.

NOTE: The carrier latch must be pressed once for each round that needs to be extracted from the magazine.

NOTE: The shotgun can be completely unloaded by repeating the steps outlined above as many times as there are shells.

WARNING: Visually and manually check the chamber and magazine to be certain the gun is completely unloaded.

DISASSEMBLY

Note: See the preceding instructions on unloading.

WARNING: Before attempting any work on your Stoeger Model 2000, make sure that the chamber and the magazine of your shotgun are unloaded.

To strip the gun for routine cleaning and maintenance, follow the steps outlined below:

1. Open the bolt by pulling back the bolt handle (Fig. 14) until the bolt is locked open. If the bolt doesn't lock open, push the cartridge drop lever in the direction shown by the arrow (Fig. 5) and repeat step 1.

2. Pull the bolt lever off the bolt (Fig. 3).

3. Unscrew the forend cap, removing it from the tubular magazine.

4. While resting the stock against your hip, grab the stock/receiver assembly with your right hand and the barrel/forend assembly with the left hand. Pull the latter forward and completely off the magazine tube (Fig. 7).

5. Rotate the barrel/forend assembly (Fig. 6) and separate it from the barrel by pulling it out of the barrel ring.

6. While holding the action bar with your left hand to counterbalance the thrust of the recoil spring, push the carrier release button (Fig. 21) and ease the bolt forward until the recoil spring no longer pushes it forward.

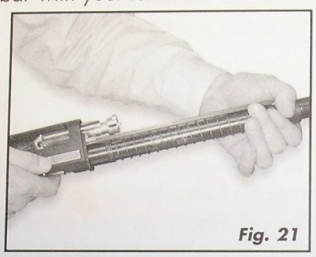


Fig. 21

7. Pull the bolt assembly out of the receiver, sliding it along its guides.

CAUTION: The firing pin is under spring pressure.

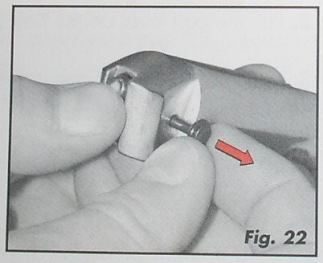


Fig. 22

8. While holding the firing pin and firing pin spring in place, remove the firing pin retaining pin from the bolt assembly (Fig. 22).

9. Remove the firing pin and firing pin spring from the bolt (Fig. 23).

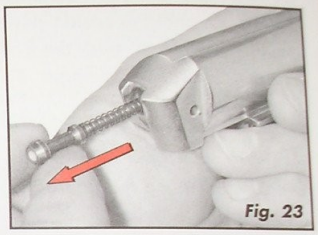


Fig. 23

10. Remove the locking head pin from the bolt (Fig. 24).

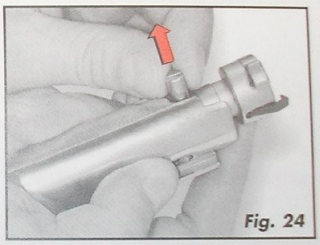


Fig. 24

11. Pull the locking head from the bolt body (Fig. 25).

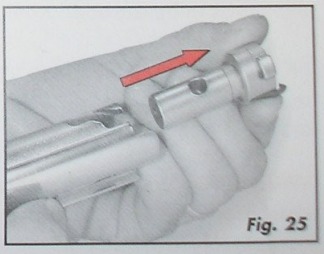


Fig. 25

DISASSEMBLY (Continued)

12. Remove the inertia spring from its seat in the bolt, dropping it into the palm of your hand (Fig. 26).

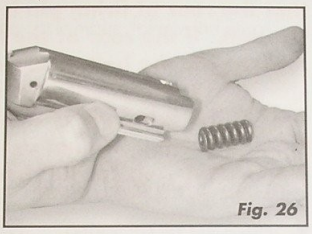


Fig. 26

13. Push the trigger guard pin out of the stock/receiver assembly using an appropriate punch (Fig. 27).

14. Press the bolt release with the left hand and pull the trigger guard assembly out of the receiver with the right hand (Fig. 28).

Fig. 27

The shotgun is now completely stripped. All the parts that require routine maintenance and cleaning are disassembled.

CAUTION: Further diassembly of the trigger group is not recommended, except by a qualified gunsmith.

Fig. 28

ASSEMBLY AFTER CLEANING

Following routine maintenance and/or cleaning, the shotgun should be reassembled as follows:

1. Hold the stock/receiver assembly with your left hand, and keeping the carrier release pressed with the left hand thumb, insert the complete trigger group assembly inside the receiver with the right hand – with the hammer cocked – , positioning it so that its front is in contact with the receiver (Fig. 28).

2. While pressing the bolt release button, insert the trigger guard assembly completely in the receiver.

3. Push the trigger guard pin into the receiver from the right or left, until it is flush with the outside of the receiver (Fig. 27).

4. Place the bolt recoil spring in its seat on the bolt.

WARNING: Always make sure that the inertia spring (or bolt recoil spring) is positioned between the locking head and the bolt itself, in order to avoid discharging the weapon when the bolt is closed.

5. Slide the locking head into the bolt, making sure that the hole on its stem coincides with the slot on the bolt.
NOTE: The slanted surfaces on the locking head's stem should not be visible once the bolt-locking head is mounted.

6. Insert the locking head pin in its hole on the locking head's stem, through the slot on the bolt.

NOTE: Make sure that the reference line on top of the locking head pin is visible and aligned with the bolt's centerline (Fig. 29).

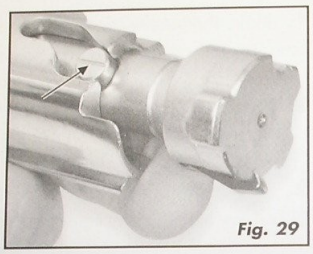


Fig. 29

7. Insert the firing pin and the firing pin spring inside the bolt (Fig. 23).

NOTE: Always make sure that the firing pin has been inserted with its spring.

8. Insert the firing pin retaining pin in its seat, so as to block the firing pin (Fig. 22).

NOTE: The firing pin and its retaining pin are properly mounted only if the firing pin is visible on the bolt face.

WARNING: Improper assembly of the bolt group can cause accidental discharge resulting in serious injury or death. Ensure that the assembly of the bolt group is completed in the specified order and that the rear of firing pin is visible at the back of the bolt. If the rear of the firing pin is not visible, reassemble the bolt group according the procedure shown in the manual, taking special care that the rear of the firing pin is clearly visible at the rear of the bolt carrier. Do not use tools to insert the firing pin into the bolt carrier; use fingers only.

9. Place the recoil spring over the magazine tube and insert the bolt assembly in its guide on the action bars, making sure that the bolt is mated with the recoil arm assembly, and is fully seated (Fig. 30). Slide the action bar assembly over the magazine tube and into the receiver.

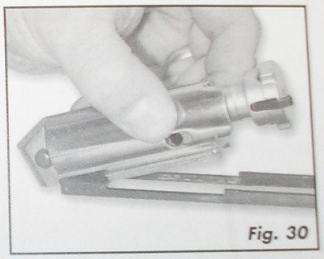


Fig. 30

10. Finish assembling the shotgun by following all the steps outlined under the section "Assembly of Packaged Gun" page 5.

FUNCTION TEST

To function test the shotgun after assembly, follow the steps listed below:

WARNING: Visually and manually check the chamber and magazine to be certain the gun is completely unloaded.

WARNING: Although the safety catch is engaged throughout this operation, always keep the muzzle pointed in a safe direction.

1. Start with the shotgun fully assembled (see Assembly Instructions, Page 5)
2. Depress cartridge drop lever and pull the bolt completely to the rear. The bolt should lock open.
3. Put the manual safety in the "ON" or "SAFE" position by pushing it from the left side until the red ring is no longer visible on the left side.
4. Press the bolt release button. The bolt should close.
5. Attempt to fire by pulling the trigger. The hammer should not fall.
6. Put the manual safety in the "OFF" or "FIRE" position by pushing it from the right side until he red ring is visible on the left side - indicating "DANGER.
7. Pull and hold trigger back. The hammer should fall.
8. While holding the trigger to the rear, open the bolt. Press the bolt release and let the bolt go forward.
9. Release the trigger. A click should be heard
10. Pull the trigger. The hammer should fall.

MAINTENANCE

Note: See the instructions for unloading on page 10.

WARNING: Before attempting any work on your Stoeger Model 2000, make sure that the chamber and the magazine of your shotgun are unloaded.

Thanks to its extreme simplicity and careful choice of materials, the Model 2000 shotgun does not require any special maintenance, aside from the following simple operations:

1. Routine barrel cleaning after shooting.

CAUTION: Leave the choke tube installed when cleaning the bore to prevent residue from being deposited on the internal barrel threads.

2. Routine cleaning/oiling of the firing mechanism and receiver, which can be fouled by powder residue and foreign matter.

3. The bolt assembly can also become fouled with powder residue and should be routinely stripped, cleaned and oiled.

Keep all parts oiled to keep the shotgun in working condition.

TROUBLE SHOOTING

Advice on how to best use your Stoeger Model 2000 Semiautomatic shotgun:

If the gun fails to fire:

WARNING: Keep the firearm pointed in a safe direction.

1. Check the manual safety. If it is engaged, shift the safety button to the "OFF" or "FIRE" position (Fig. 12).

2. Check the firing mechanism and, if necessary, clean and lubricate it.

Forend cap:
Following assembly, and especially after firing a few rounds, make certain the forend cap is tightened firmly (Fig. 9). This will keep the barrel securely fastened to the receiver.

AMMUNITION

USE ONLY SUITABLE AMMUNITION:
This Stoeger semi-automatic shotgun is chambered in 12 gauge. It has been designed to fire 1 oz. (28 gram) to 1 3/4 oz. (50 gram) cartridges with 2 3/4" (70mm) to 3" (76mm) length with lead or steel shot. Use of Full or Improved Modified choke tubes is not recommended with steel shot.

Note: No adjustments to the shotgun are necessary to fire any of the ammunition listed above.

WARNING: Never use cartridges with a case longer than the chamber, as this would have serious consequences for both the gun and the shooter.

WARNING: Use ONLY factory loaded ammunition. Use of re-loaded ammunition voids the 1-Year Factory Warranty.

Note: always use ammunition that is powerful enough to fully cycle the action.

REMOVING THE MAGAZINE LIMITER PLUG

Since hunting regulations in some areas limit the number of cartridges allowed in the magazine, this shotgun comes with a limiter plug installed that reduces its magazine capacity to two shells.

WARNING: Visually and manually check to be sure no ammunition is present in the chamber or magazine.

To remove this plug, follow the steps listed below:

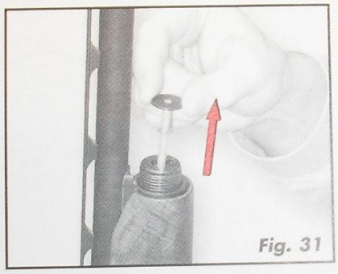


Fig. 31

1. Start with the shotgun fully assembled.

2. Unscrew and remove the magazine tube cap.

3. Remove the limiter plug from the end of the magazine tube (Fig. 31).

4. Replace the magazine tube cap by screwing it into place. To install the magazine limiter plug, reverse this procedure.

CHOKE TUBE OPERATION:

To change or clean the internal choke, proceed as follows:

WARNING: Visually and manually check to be sure no ammunition is present in the chamber or magazine.

1. Unscrew the internal choke using the special choke wrench supplied with the shotgun and extract it completely from the barrel seat.

2. If the barrel threads are fouled, clean with solvent and synthetic bristle brush.

To replace the choke tube, follow the same procedure, using a clockwise turn, until the choke tube is completely fitted into the end of the barrel. The choke tube threads and external surfaces should be lubricated with lubricant designed for that purpose.

WARNING: When properly assembled, the choke tube should not protrude from the end of the barrel.

NOTE: Complete the choke assembly by thoroughly tightening it in place with the supplied choke wrench.

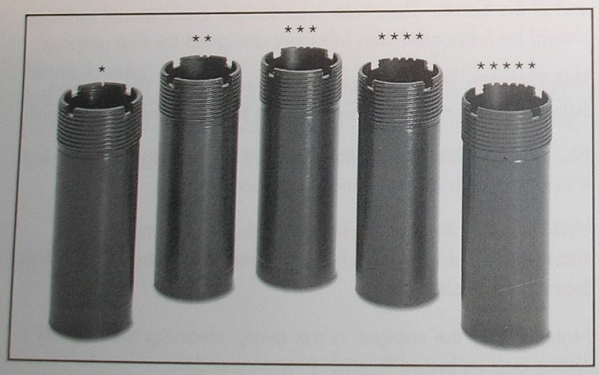
WARNING: Before using the shotgun, take care that the choke wrench has been removed from the barrel muzzle.

Note: Before the shotgun is put away, cleaning the internal choke and its barrel thread is recommended.

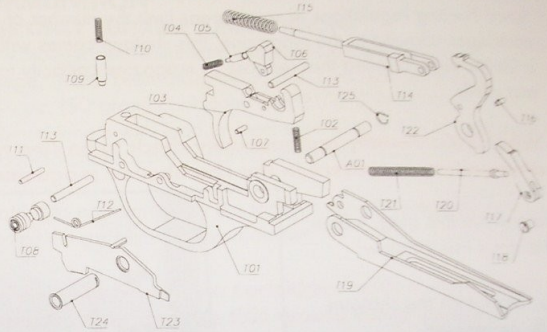
CHOKE TUBE MARKINGS

See the chart below for choke tube designations and recommendations.

Rim Marking *(notches)*	Pattern With Lead	Pattern With Steel *(depends on shot size)*
*	Full	DO NOT USE
* *	Imp. Modified	DO NOT USE
* * *	Modified	Modified - Full
* * * *	Imp. Cylinder	Modified - Full
* * * * *	Cylinder	Imp. Cylinder - Modified



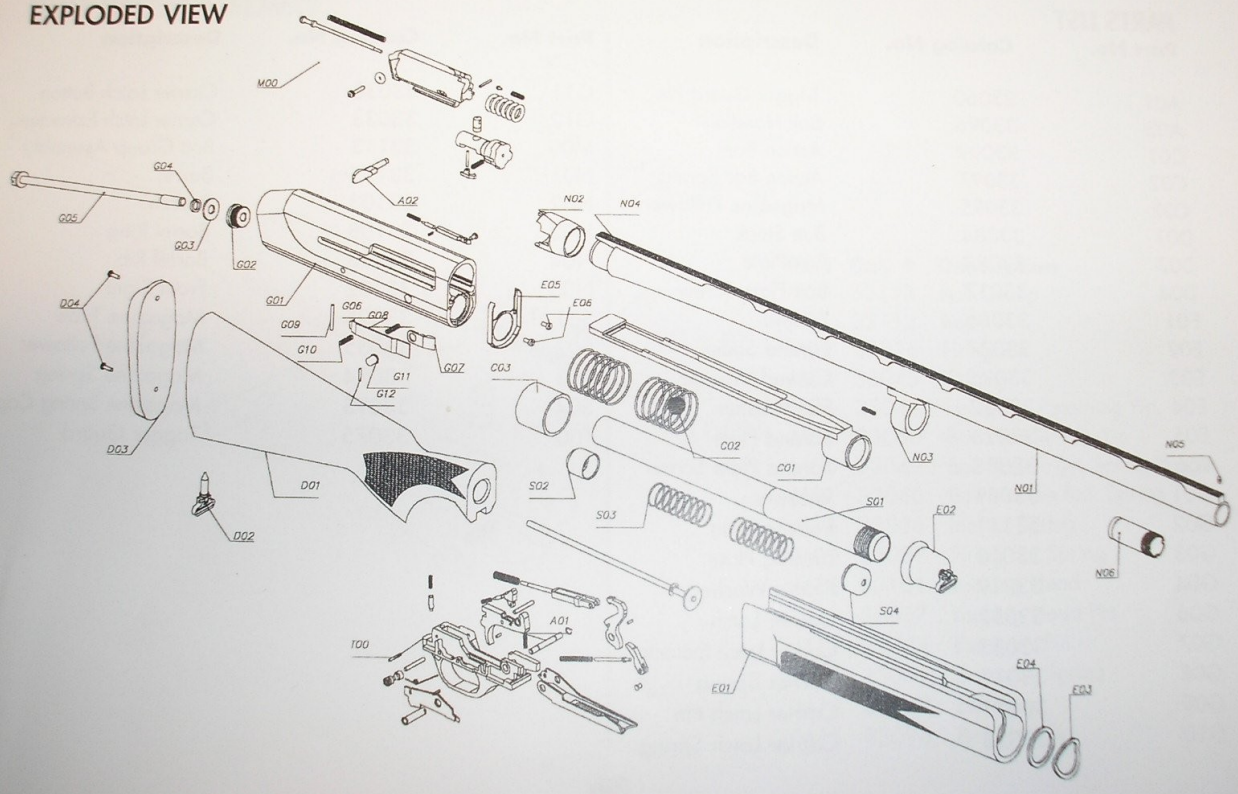
TRIGGER GROUP ASSEMBLY



Part	Cat. #	Description
T01	33075	Trigger Guard
T02	33016	Trigger Spring
T03	33002	Trigger
T04	30005	Discon. Plunger Spring
T05	33004	Disconnector Plunger
T06	33003	Disconnector
T07	33006	Disconnector Pin
T08	33000	Manual Safety
T09	33076	Manual Safety Plunger
T10	33129	Safety Plunger Spring
T11	33001	Safety Spring Ret. Pin
T12	33013	Cartridge Drop Lvr. Spg.

Part	Cat. #	Description
T13	33007	Trigger Pin
T14	33081	Cocking Lever
T15	33080	Hammer Spring
T16	33082	Hammer Spring Bar Pin
T17	33009	Breech Bolt Latch
T18	33010	Breech Bolt Latch Pin
T19	33008	Carrier
T20	33012	Carrier Spring Plunger
T21	33011	Carrier Spring
T22	33079	Hammer
T23	33078	Cartridge Drop Lever
T24	33014	Hammer Pipe Pin
T25	33015	Hammer Pipe Pin Spg.

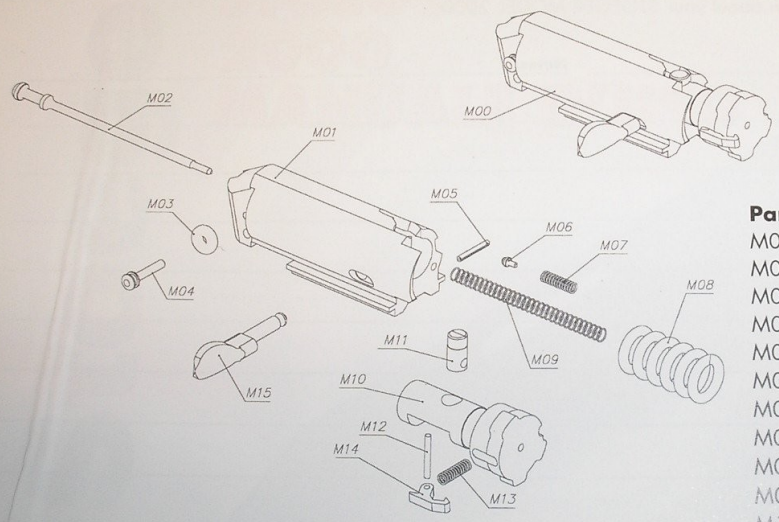
EXPLODED VIEW



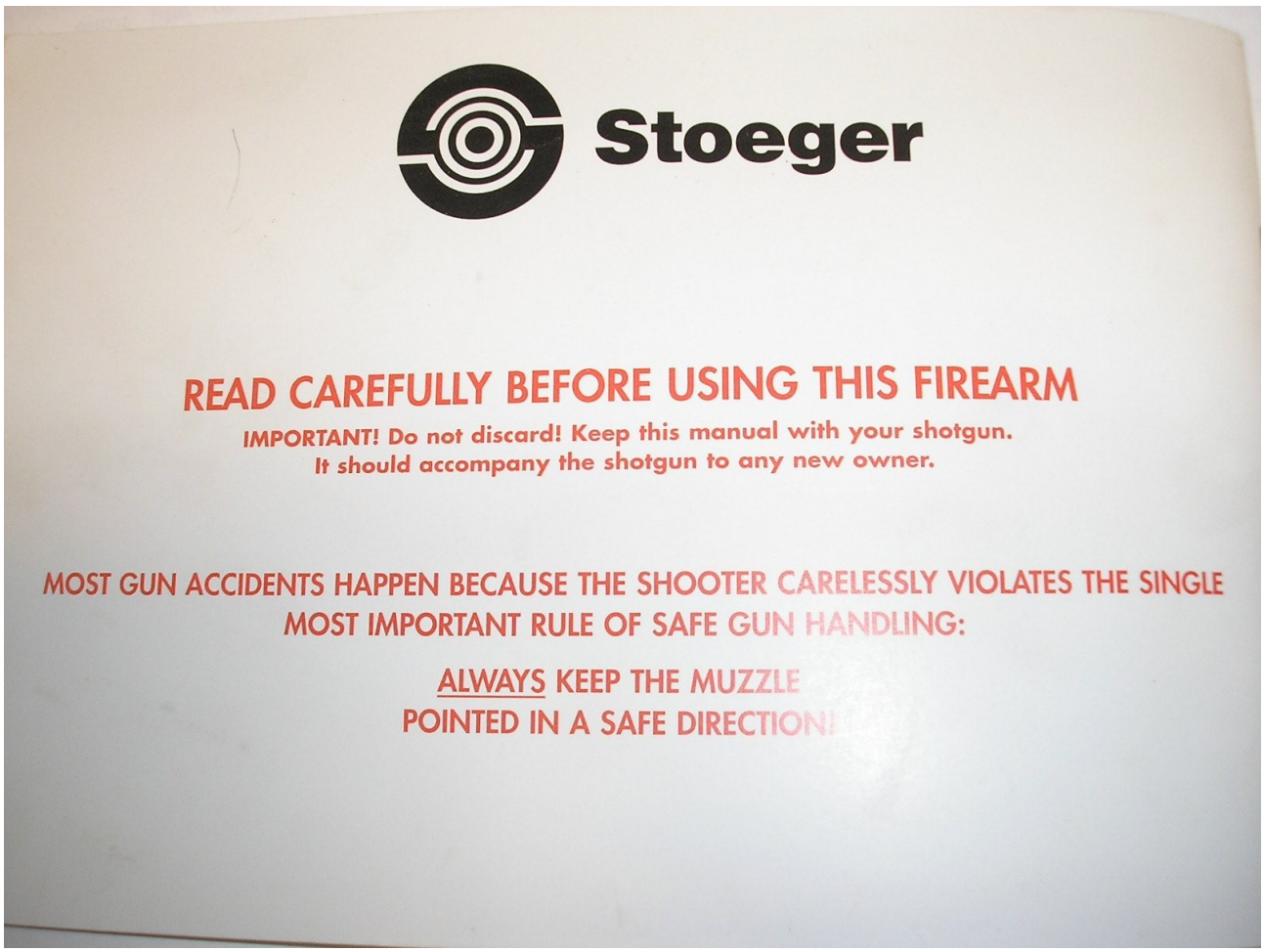
PARTS LIST

Part No.	Catalog No.	Description
A01	33060	Trigger Guard Pin
A02	33096	Bolt Handle
C01	33099	Action Bar
C02	33097	Action Bar Spring
C03	33095	Magazine Follower
D01	33084	Butt Stock
D03	33083	Butt Plate
D04	33017	Butt Plate Screw
E01	33086	Forend
E02	33027	Forend Slider
E03	33025	Curved Washer
E04	33022	Flat Washer
E05	33026	Forend Plate
E06	33088	Forend Plate Screw
G01	33089	Receiver
G02	33111	Receiver Nut
G03	33018	Locking Plate
G04	33019	Plastic Washer
G06	33032	Carrier Latch
G07	33033	Carrier Latch Extractor
G08	33011	Carrier Spring
G09	33031	Carrier Latch Pin
G10	33028	Carrier Latch Spring
G11	33030	Carrier Latch Button
G12	33033	Carrier Latch Extractor
M00	33113	Bolt Group Assembly
N01	33125	Barrel
N02	33103	Breech
N03	33108	Barrel Ring
N04	33128	Barrel Rib
N05	33102	Front Sight
S01	33095	Magazine Tube
S02	33035	Magazine Follower
S03	33094	Magazine Spring
S04	33093	Magazine Spring Cap
T00	33075	Trigger Guard

BOLT GROUP ASSEMBLY



Part	Cat. #	Description
M00	33113	Bolt Group
M01	33112	Bolt
M02	33036	Firing Pin
M03	33045	O-Ring
M04	33044	Firing Pin Retaining Pin
M05	33050	Bolt Handle Ret. Pin
M06	33049	Bolt Handle Ret. Spring Plunger
M07	33046	Bolt Handle Ret. Spring
M08	33036	Inertia Spring
M09	33039	Firing Pin Spring
M10	33101	Locking Head
M11	33037	Locking Head Pin
M12	33043	Extractor Pin
M13	33041	Extractor Spring
M14	33040	Extractor
M15	33096	Bolt Handle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MOST IMPORTANT RULE OF SAFE GUN HANDLING:
ALWAYS KEEP THE MUZZLE
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